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INHIBITORS OF INTERFERON-GAMMA

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## PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

Hon. Commissioner of Patents and Trademarks Washington, DC 20231

Sir:

Kindly preliminarily amend this application prior to calculation of the fees.

## IN THE CLAIMS:

Cancel claims 1-24 without prejudice.

Add the following new claims.

A method for promoting the healing of chronic wounds

comprising the use of a stimulator of IFN- $\gamma$ .

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